

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	Atty. Docket: FUKUMOTO7
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Toshiro FUKUMOTO et al.)	
)	Art Group: 2612
U.S. Appln. No.: 10/584,238)	
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Filed: June 26, 2006)	
)	Examiner: S. YACOB
For: FACILITATED SAFE CAR)	
STEERING DEVICE)	May 23, 2008

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

Replying to the Examiner's April 29, 2008

Restriction Requirement, Applicant hereby respectfully and provisionally elects Group I for further prosecution on the merits at this time, without prejudice and without traverse, said Group I being directed to a system for vehicles to specify the running location on the road and presently comprising claims 1-7, and 10-11.

Applicant accepts the PTO ruling that the two groups are patentably distinct from one another, i.e. each is non-obvious from the other.


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If, upon examination of the Group I claims, the PTO finds that these are patentable, Applicant hereby gives authority to the PTO to delete the Group II claims 8 and 9 from the present application, without prejudice to Applicant's rights under 35 U.S.C. 121, 120 and 119. Applicant respectfully awaits the result of a first examination on the merits. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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